

Flood warning/watch information

King County Flood Alerts

www.kingcounty.gov/flood or 206-263-3400

Sign up for automated flood alerts by phone, text or e-mail.

King County Flood Warning Center

206-296-4535 or 1-800-768-7932

Staffed 24 hours during a flood to answer questions and provide information.

King County Flood Warning information line

206-296-8200 or 1-800-945-9263

Recorded flood phase information for area rivers.

King County Flood Warning System

www.kingcounty.gov/flood

Real-time flood gage data and flood phase information.

Regional Public Information Network

www.rpin.org

Sign up to receive updates on flooding and other emergencies.

National Weather Service Forecast Office

www.wrh.noaa.gov/sew/

Find out if heavy rain is forecast, and if the Green River is under a flood watch.

Social media

twitter.com/kcalerts

Sign up to receive updated flood information via real-time "tweets."



www.kingcounty.gov/floodplans



Ongoing repairs near Howard Hanson Dam mean lower Green River Valley residents should prepare for possible flooding.



King County



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FLOOD CONTROL
DISTRICT



City of Seattle



This information is available in alternate formats. Call 206-296-8001 or TTY 711

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Green River Flooding

GET READY, STAY READY!



If you live
in or near

AUBURN
KENT
RENTON
TUKWILA

www.kingcounty.gov/floodplans

(Ver el reverso para obtener información en español.)



Many homes, businesses and farms are in harm's way if the Green River experiences serious flooding.

GET READY, STAY READY!

People, businesses and farms below the Howard Hanson Dam in the Green River Valley should get prepared and stay prepared for a risk of flood water this winter.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has reduced some risk after making repairs to damage that occurred to an earthen bank next to the dam after record high water in January 2009. However, more work remains before the dam can operate at full flood storage capacity. This means there is still a risk of flooding in the lower valley – including parts of Auburn, Kent, Renton, and Tukwila – if the region experiences heavy and prolonged rain this flood season (roughly October through March).

If the valley experiences serious flooding, evacuations in some communities are possible. Key transportation routes and transit service could be disrupted. Power outages and sewer back-ups are possible even outside the immediate flood zone.

Get Ready and Stay Ready to help keep your family and property safe when the rains come.

Howard Hanson Dam Fact Sheet

www.nws.usace.army.mil/

(Click on Howard Hanson Dam Pool Restriction)

How to prepare for a flood

- 1. Make an emergency plan** and assemble an emergency kit.
- 2. Buy or renew flood insurance now.** It takes 30 days for a new policy to take effect. Review your policy; a standard policy will not cover flood damage. Contact your insurance agent or visit www.floodsmart.gov.
- 3. Purchase an AM radio** or NOAA weather radio with extra batteries in case of power outages for urgent news day and night.
- 4. Monitor area news** media for information if severe weather is predicted.
- 5. Listen for alerts about evacuation routes** or visit www.kingcounty.gov/floodplans for the latest evacuation route information.
- 6. Monitor local road conditions** and obey closure signs.
- 7. Take medications and supplies with you** if your family has medical needs.
- 8. Be ready to relocate animals and livestock** out of harm's way.
- 9. Minimize flood damage:**
 - Store valuables and electronics higher on the ground floor, on the second story or in your attic.
 - Store chemicals above possible flood levels; recycle or dispose of them at the Wastemobile at the Auburn SuperMall.
 - Ensure underground storage tanks are sealed and secure.
 - Learn how to use sandbags and locate where you can buy or get them ahead of time if needed for flood fighting.
 - Move vehicles and equipment to high ground before flood waters rise.
 - Keep storm drains free of leaves and other debris.
 - Know who to call and how to protect yourself if flooding leads to sewer overflows into homes and businesses.

Green River Valley Flood Safety

www.kingcounty.gov/floodplans

Flood planning and response

How to prepare for a flood

www.kingcounty.gov/floodplans

National Flood Insurance Program

1-888-379-9531

www.floodsmart.gov

Washington State Insurance Commissioner

1-800-562-6900

www.insurance.wa.gov

Emergency sandbag information (open during flooding)

206-296-4535 or 1-800-945-9263

3 Days 3 Ways

www.3days3ways.org

Take Winter By Storm

www.takewinterbystorm.org

Sewage overflows

www.kingcounty.gov/SewageSpills

Metro Transit disruptions

www.kingcounty.gov/metro

King County Road 24/7 Helpline

206-296-8100 or 1-800-KC-ROADS

King County My Commute Map

www.kingcounty.gov/mycommute

King County Road Alert (subscribe)

www.kingcounty.gov/roadalert

Hazardous Waste Disposal (house or business)

206-296-4692, toll free 1-888-869-4233

www.lhwmp.org/home/

American Red Cross

Serving King & Kitsap Counties

206-323-2345 or 360-377-3761

www.seattleredcross.org